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California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery—Beverage Container Recycling Program

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The audit by the California State Auditor (state auditor) will provide independently developed and verified information related to the performance and anti-fraud measures within the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery's (CalRecycle) Beverage Container Recycling Program (beverage program) and will include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. Review and evaluate the laws, rules, and regulations significant to the audit objectives.
- 2. For the past three fiscal years, evaluate the financial condition of the beverage program.
- 3. Assess the effectiveness of the current methods for identifying and addressing fraud, including practices to prevent, detect, and deter fraud.
- 4. Review and assess the current policies and procedures to identify beverage distributors and whether the beverage program's practice for collecting fees and redemption payments from the distributors is effective.
- 5. For the most recent year available, review a sample of completed beverage distributor audits to evaluate their adequacy and timeliness, and the subsequent collection of all associated fees owed to the beverage fund.
- 6. To the extent possible, identify any beverage program improvements designed to increase revenues and reduce costs and expenditures to the Beverage Container Recycling Fund without raising distributor fees.
- 7. Evaluate the effectiveness of any changes made from recommendations in the state auditor's June 2010 audit report, including the status of implementing any outstanding recommendations.
- 8. Review and assess any other issues that are significant to the audit.